Information about sleep prevention formulations through internet

3449. SHRI RAJKUMAR DHOOT: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that formulate for many drugs to prevent sleep are available on internet and students are getting addicted to it while preparing for examinations;

(b) whether it is also a fact that chemicals required for the formulation of drugs are easily available in school/college laboratories;

(c) if so, whether Government has taken cognizance of this fact;

(d) if so, the steps taken by Government to save students from the ill effect of such drugs; and

(e) if not, whether Government will take effective steps to check this menace?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Government does not have any concrete evidence to comment in this regard.

(b) to (e) It is not a fact that chemicals required for the formulation of drugs to prevent sleep are easily available in school/college laboratories.

Family welfare centres in Bihar

3450. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of family welfare centres working in the rural areas of Bihar;

(b) whether the State Government of Bihar has sent any proposal for opening of more centres; and

(c) if so, what is the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) As on March, 2007 there are a total of 8909 Sub Centres 1648 Primary Health Centres and 70 Community Health Centres functioning in the State of Bihar.

(b) and (c) State Governments submit their Programme Implementation Plan (PIP) every year under National Rural Health Mission (NRHM). This may include opening of new centres if the State prioritizes the activity. The PIP approved after approval.

Controlling of polio

3451. SHRI RAJEEV CHANDRASEKHAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of polio cases have been reported in the country during 2007 and so far during 2008 and the number of such cases reported from the States of U.P. and Bihar is quite high;

(b) the number of polio cases reported during 2007 and so far during 2008, States wise;